



City Council

Approval of Ordinance Amending Olympia Municipal Code (OMC) Chapter 9.08 Relating to Obstructing a Public Servant or Officer and Making a False or Misleading Statement to a Public Servant

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve on second reading the proposed ordinance amending OMC Chapter 9.08 Relating to Obstructing a Public Servant or Officer and Making a False or Misleading Statement to a Public Servant.

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve the proposed ordinance.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item

Background and Analysis:

Background and analysis have not changed from first to second reading.

The Olympia Municipal Code relating to Obstructing a Public Servant or Officer currently combines two separate criminal acts into OMC 9.08.020. The behavior of obstructing an officer by hindering or delaying an investigation and the behavior of making a false statement to a public servant are

separate criminal acts, yet court records from Olympia cases do not currently distinguish the criminal behavior that was charged.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

There is an inherent interest in having court records accurately identify criminal behavior.

Options:

1. Approve the proposed ordinance.
2. Direct staff to modify the proposed ordinance.
3. Do not approve the proposed ordinance.

Financial Impact:

None.

Attachments:

Proposed ordinance.